

Employment Opportunity

Project Part-time Scientific Technician 3 80 percent of Salary: \$2712 - \$3371 Range: 42

Bulletin # 642 Opens: March 8, 2007 Closes: March 22, 2007

Location: One opening in the Habitat Program, Science Division located in the Pt. Angeles office.

Duties: This is a field position working as a team member under the direction of a lead scientist collecting nearshore fish use data for the central and western Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Key Job Responsibilities:

- Working as a member of a team conducting basic field sampling, including beach seining, forage fish surveys, snorkeling surveys, large woody debris monitoring and basic water quality sampling using standard sampling protocols.
- Supervising other staff as the site leader
- Providing key support for fieldwork including gear organization, preparation, and maintenance, basic field coordination and data management.

• This is an 80% position based in Port Angeles.

Competencies:

- Ability to function effectively in field and team settings
- Proficiency in snorkeling in temperate northwest marine environments
- Ability to use and maintain basic lab and field equipment including seines, snorkeling gear, gps units, small boats, compound and dissecting microscopes, lab preservatives.
- Ability to use computers and basic spreadsheets
- Possession of a valid Washington driver's license and comfort with towing small boats.
- Knowledge of basic marine fish ecology, fish identification, and basic scientific method and collecting techniques.

Work Conditions:

This position requires that you be willing and able to: work in variable and often challenging marine conditions, have a very flexible schedule to respond to localized favorable sampling conditions. You must be able to lift 75 pounds repeatedly and carry heavy backpacks over unstable beaches for long distances.

Required Qualifications:

To qualify you must have:

- A high school diploma or GED, and
- At least one year of high school science
- Four years of laboratory or field experience as an assistant to a biologist, chemist, or zoologist, or equivalent experience as a Scientific Technician.
- Completion of two or more courses in biology, zoology, fisheries, chemistry, natural sciences, or closely allied field will substitute for one year of lab or field experience
- At least one year experience snorkeling/diving in temperate northwest marine waters
- A minimum of six months experience with <u>beach seining in temperate northwest marine waters and associated marine fish identification</u>; institutional small boat handling (references required)

Preferred Qualifications:

Preferred applicants will also have:

- A minimum of one year field experience in northwest marine nearshore systems including fish collection and identification
- Completed one or more college courses that included subject matter related to northwest marine juvenile fish use and identification.

To apply:

If you are interested in this opportunity, please submit a state application with a cover letter describing how you meet the qualifications and competencies, and a resume or curriculum vitae to:

Web site for state application is: http://www.dop.wa.gov/Resources/Forms/.

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All materials must be received in the Personnel Office by 5:00 pm on March 22, 2007

The Department of Fish and Wildlife provides equal employment opportunities and is committed to a diverse workforce. Applicants needing assistance and or alternative formats of this announcement may call (360) 902-2276 (TDD: (360) 902-2207).

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING EVALUATION. Using separate sheets of paper, please provide the specific information in the format requested below. A resume will not substitute for providing this information in the requested format. To describe your <u>education</u>, list degrees and major subject areas and school attended, along with the year the degree was obtained. For <u>specific courses</u>, list the course title and briefly describe the content and school where completed. For <u>work experience</u>, list your employer, job title, length of experience, and briefly describe the relevant duties for each position you held.

- 1. Tell us how you meet the **required qualifications** for this position. Be specific in describing your high school and college education, and list any specific college level courses that help you qualify. List and briefly describe relevant positions held. Address specifically your experience snorkeling and handling small boats.
- 2. Review the **competencies** and **preferred qualifications** carefully and tell us about your experience and training in these areas. Be specific in addressing each competency and preferred qualification that you meet.